

# When Christ and Caesar Collide

*... then resisting tyranny is obedience to God.*

1. The greatest weapon against tyranny is the advancement of the \_\_\_\_\_.

## **THE SPARK**

2. What did Luther attribute to the overthrow of empires and false religion? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What two things did Paul seek to persuade with the Scriptures?
- First, it was necessary for God's King to \_\_\_\_\_
  - Second, God's King is \_\_\_\_\_

## **THE REACTION**

4. What were the three reactions listed in the text to the truth that Jesus is King:
- Many \_\_\_\_\_
  - he Jews were \_\_\_\_\_
  - The mob \_\_\_\_\_

## **THE CHARGE**

5. Laws with their corresponding punishments are value statements. (Yes/No)
6. Christians must strive to be loyal and faithful citizens. (Yes/No)
7. Conflict arises when \_\_\_\_\_ demands what isn't his.

## **THE OUTCOME**

8. The Thessalonians received sanctions and continued to face persecution. (Yes/No)

## **THE EXHORTATION**

9. What would you say to Christians opposed to resistance?  
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10. What would you say to Christians who agree but are out of the fight?  
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11. What does resistance look like in the face of tyranny?
- \_\_\_\_\_
  - Stand \_\_\_\_\_ and suffer \_\_\_\_\_
  - Take \_\_\_\_\_
  - Speak truth to \_\_\_\_\_
  - Resist in \_\_\_\_\_
  - Remember the \_\_\_\_\_ of God
  - Live in future \_\_\_\_\_.
  - Live for the sake of \_\_\_\_\_ and the \_\_\_\_\_

## **Discussion/Meditation Questions**

1. Why must we keep the gospel at the center of our discussions about resistance?
2. How can we avoid the danger of getting sidetracked in the world and too consumed with current events?
3. What areas of life do you need to take more responsibility? What about your personal life, your home, your workplace? What does it mean to be faithful there?
4. If the Scriptures are going to be the spark, how can you grow in this area of knowing the word and making it known?